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EMPLOYMENT PROVIDED TO THE PEOPLE FOR HYDEL PROJECTS OF NHPC
MAHESHWAR SINGH

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether employment has been provided to the persons of the concerned States in the on going or completed hydel projects;

(b) if so, the number of persons employed in various categories, State-wise and project-wise;

(c) whether the Government of Himachal Pradesh in its Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the NHPC with regard to Parbat Hydel Power Project has fixed a percentage for providing employment to the local people in the recruitment of staff Class I, II, III and IV posts;

(d) if so, whether the NHPC is following the percentage norms in the recruitment of staff as per the MoU; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : National Hydro-electric Power Corporation(NHPC) has provided employment to the local people in its projects in accordance with the agreements/understanding with the concerned State Governments. The scope for fresh employment in new projects is limited as NHPC needs to redeploy existing surplus staff from completed/on-going projects to new projects.

In accordance with the agreements/understandings reached with the various State Governments, NHPC has provided employment in categories III & IV to 700 persons at Chamera H.E. Project Stage-I in Himachal Pradesh, 8 persons at Chamera H.E. Project Stage- in Himachal Pradesh, 36 persons at Dhauliganga H.E. Project in Uttaranchal, 12 persons at Rangit H.E. Project in Sikkim and 59 persons at Koel Karo H.E. Project in Jharkhand.

(c) to (e) : The agreement dated 20.11.1998 with the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh for the execution of Hydro-electric Projects on river Parbati stipulates that 30% of the staff at each executive level required by the Corporation for the execution of the project as well as for the Survey & Investigation Works of Stages-I & III shall be taken on deputation from HPSEB subject to their suitability on the usua terms and conditions of deputation. All the unskilled, Class-III and Class-IV staff as may be required for the execution of the project after deployment of surplus workers from other projects of the Corporation as on the date of signing of this agreement, shall be recruited through employment exchanges located in Himachal Pradesh and through other prescribed means.

As NHPC carries surplus workers the requirement of Parbati Hydro-electric Projects for unskilled, Class-III and IV staff so far is being met by redeployment of surplus workers from other projects of the Corporation, in accordance with the agreement entered with the Government of Himachal Pradesh.